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Honorable Romano L. Mazzoli  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Legislation  
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

address

Dear Mr. Chairman:

As you requested at the Committee's recent hearing on the activities of former Central Intelligence Agency employees Edwin Wilson and Frank Terpil, I have had my staff prepare as a drafting service for your Subcommittee legislation to deal with the concerns you have expressed about activities on behalf of foreign powers by former United States Government employees who had national security-related duties. I must emphasize that we have drafted this legislation as a service to you to meet what we understand to be your concerns, and our drafting of it should not be construed as an indication that the Central Intelligence Agency, the Intelligence Community, or the Administration supports its enactment.

I have consulted extensively with the Agency's senior officers on the matter, and they believe that the nefarious activities of Wilson and Terpil, which several federal criminal statutes already cover, do not reflect a systemic problem warranting legislation. The draft legislation has not been reviewed outside the Central Intelligence Agency and thus I cannot relay the views of the other departments and agencies whose personnel this legislation would affect.

My General Counsel and Director of External Affairs remain available, as always, to assist you with this matter. Please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Sincerely,

*William J. Casey*

William J. Casey  
Director of Central Intelligence

P.S. - For your information  
I enclose the minutes of a meeting  
of the CIA Executive Committee  
Enclosure which reflects

strong concern, which I share,  
about this type of legislation  
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